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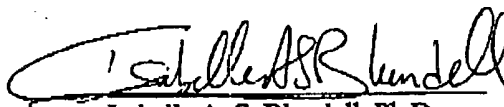
REMARKS

Claims 15-30 have been allowed. Claims 60-76 are canceled herein without prejudice for their further prosecution in a subsequent continuing application.

At the outset, applicant notes that PAIR continues to reflect Applicant's May 6, 2002 submission as being filed on March 28, 2003. This erroneous recording of Applicant's filing of the response may detrimentally affect the calculation for this application patent term adjustment (PTA). PTAs were created to compensate applicants for undue delay by the Patent Office which would affect the term on the patent such as instantly suffered by applicant here when the Patent Office was unable to act on the Reply until Applicants had shown by Petition that the reply was timely filed. Accordingly, Applicants kindly request that the date of entry of the May 6, 2002 Reply be corrected in the record and the PAIR system to reflect the actual date of first submission of this paper to the Patent Office.

Applicant believes that no fee is due with this submission. The commissioner is however authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 07-1074 any fees which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,



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